BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)	
):	
)	MUR 4503
The South Dakota Democratic)	
Party and Bill Nibbelink,)	
as treasurer)	

CERTIFICATION

I, Darlene Harris, recording secretary for the Federal Election Commission executive session on August 7, 2001, do hereby certify that the Commission decided by a vote of 6-0 to take the following actions with respect to MUR 4503:

Take no further action and close the file as to the allegations that the South Dakota Democratic Party and Henry Maicki, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441a, 441a(f), and 434(b), and 11 C.F.R. § 102.5(a) in connection with the television and radio ads that were paid for by the South Dakota Democratic Party and aired during the 1996 general election race between Congressman Tim Johnson and Senator Larry Pressler.

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> Take no further action and close the file as to Tim Johnson for South Dakota, Inc., and Berniece F. Mayer, as treasurer.

Approve the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Sandstrom, Smith, Thomas, and Wold voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

August 8, 2001

Darlene Harris
Deputy Secretary of
the Commission